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## **Amendment**

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 411

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## "AN ACT CONCERNING EXEMPTION FROM RABIES VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS."

- Strike lines 55 to 70, inclusive, in their entirety and substitute the following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "(b) The State Veterinarian or the Commissioner of Agriculture, or
- 4 the commissioner's designee, may grant an exemption from
- 5 vaccination against rabies for a dog or cat if a licensed veterinarian has
- 6 examined such animal and determined that a rabies vaccination would
- 7 endanger the animal's life due to disease or other medical
- 8 considerations. Such exemption may be granted for an individual
- 9 animal only after the veterinarian has consulted with the State
- 10 Veterinarian, the Commissioner of Agriculture, or the commissioner's
- 11 <u>designee</u>, and completed and submitted to the department an
- 12 application for exemption from rabies vaccination on a form approved
- 13 by the Department of Agriculture. After approval of such exemption,
- 14 the department shall issue a rabies vaccination exemption certificate,

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15 copies of which shall be provided to the veterinarian, the owner of the

- 16 dog or cat exempted from rabies vaccination and the animal control
- officer of the municipality in which the owner of the dog or cat resides.
- 18 Certification that a dog or cat is exempt from rabies vaccination shall
- 19 <u>be valid for one year, after which time the animal shall be vaccinated</u>
- 20 <u>against rabies or the application for exemption shall be renewed.</u>
- 21 (c) Any veterinarian aggrieved by a denial of a request for an
- 22 exemption from rabies vaccination by the State Veterinarian, the
- 23 Commissioner of Agriculture or the commissioner's designee may
- 24 appeal such denial as provided in the Uniform Administrative
- 25 Procedure Act, sections 4-166 to 4-189, inclusive.
- 26 (d) Any violation of this section shall be an infraction."